

Category Three: Internal Connections

□ Priority 2

■ District qualifies for 89%

□ District Wide

Integrity

Zapata High School

Zapata Middle School

Fidel and Andrea R Villarreal Elementary School

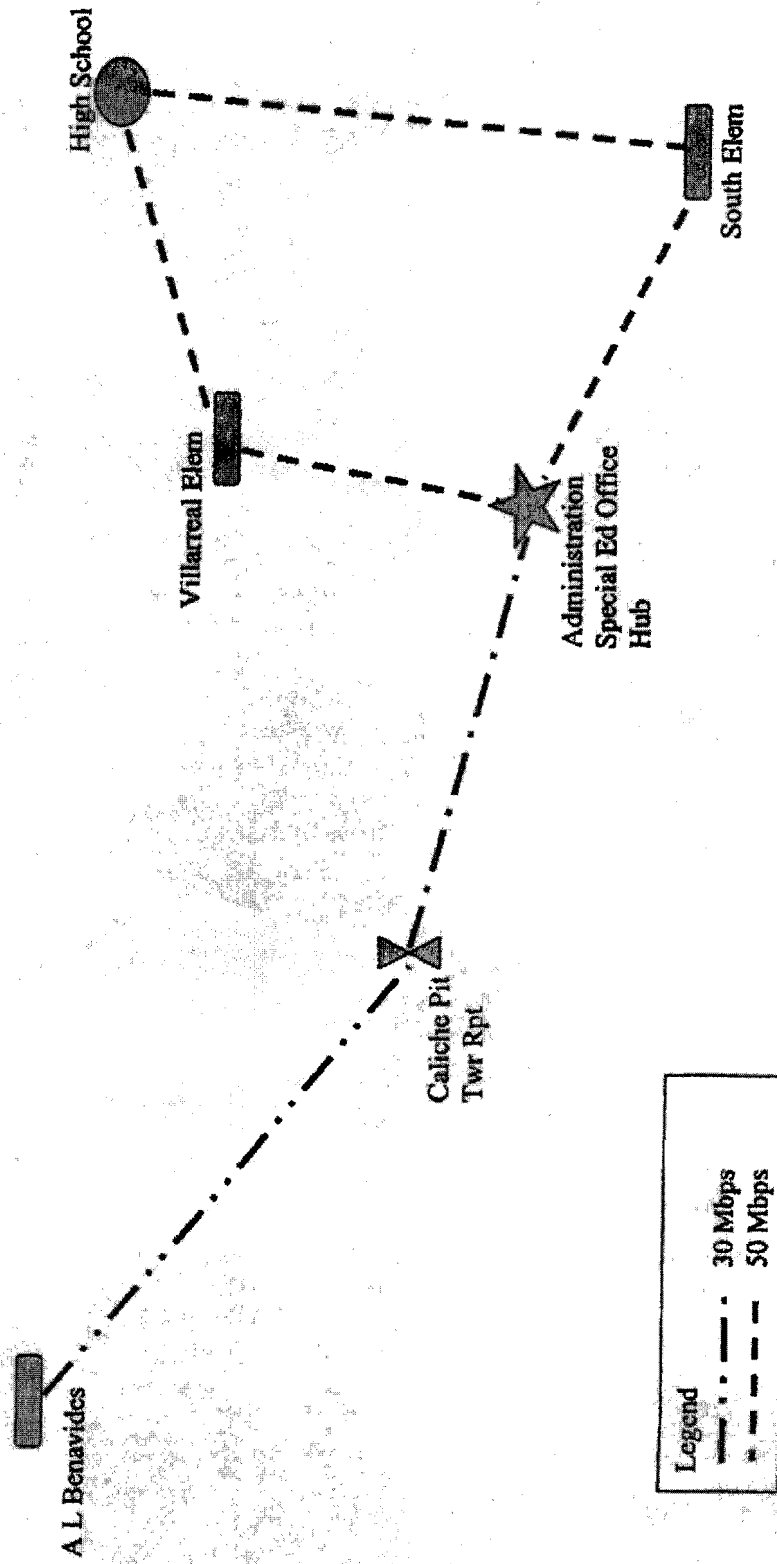
Zapata South Elementary School

A. L. Benavides Elementary School

Zapata North Early Childhood Center

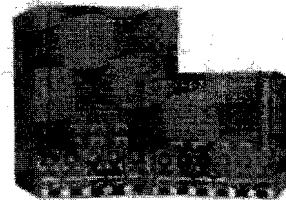


Proposed WAN Service Design



District Wide Infrastructure Project

- ❑ Rewire all the campuses with CAT6 drops, test and certify the networks
- ❑ Install new switching devices supporting Layer 3 Protocols
- ❑ Install Gigabit fiber backbone throughout campus's IDF's
- ❑ Build a solid foundation for the deployment of voice, video, and data



Questions

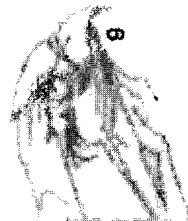
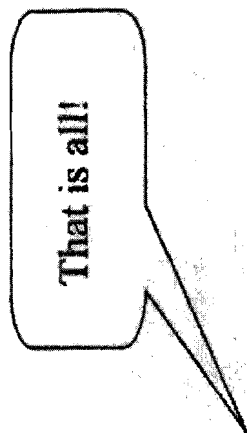


Exhibit D

AGENDA
ZAPATA COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Called Board Meeting
Friday, 12:00 noon
February 18, 2005
Professional Development Center
17th & Carla St. - P.O. Box 158
Zapata, Texas

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

A. Public Participation: At each regular meeting the Board allots time at approximately 6:00 p.m., to hear from persons who desire to address the Board. Public participation also is permitted with respect to each action item on the Board's agenda. At all other times during the Board meeting the audience shall not comment upon nor enter into discussion or debate on matters being considered by the Board.

No presentation may exceed five minutes.

Delegations of more than five persons may be requested to appoint one or more persons to present their views to the Board.

If you desire to address the Board you must complete and sign a "Visitor Registration Card", a supply of which is available at the entrance to the Board Room. The President will call on you at the appropriate time. A recording is made of the meeting; therefore, please give your name and address and make your presentation as brief as possible. If you have written information pertaining to your presentation, please deliver it to the Superintendent.

B. Closed or Executive Session: The Board may elect to go into Closed or Executive Session at any time during this meeting to discuss any agenda item, or items, which the Board is authorized to discuss in Closed or Executive Session in accord with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq.

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

ROLL CALL, Establishment of Quorum

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

AUDIENCES

Special Called Board Meeting, February 18, 2005

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- | | | Page(s) | Person Responsible |
|-----|---|---------|--------------------------------|
| 1. | Remarks: Superintendent | | |
| 2. | Report: Technology Report for E Rate Year 8 | | Ms. R. Salinas
Mr. J. Monte |
| 3. | Action: Approval of E-Rate Proposal for Year 8 | 8577 | Ms. R. Salinas
Mr. J. Monte |
| 4. | Action: Approval of Lease Purchase of School Busses | 8578 | Mrs. L. Martinez |
| 5. | Report / Possible Action: Possible Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Govt. Code, the Board will discuss: Resignations, Retirements, Leaves of Absence, New Employment, New Personnel Positions, Return from Leave of Absence, Contract Renewal for Teachers. | 8579 | Mr. Rodriguez |
| 6. | Action: Action, if any, on items discussed in closed session | 8580 | Mr. Rodriguez |
| 7. | Board Information Items: | | |
| 8. | Calendar: This item has been added to the agenda to provide an opportunity to set dates for student and/or teacher hearings or to bring to the Board's attention other dates. | | |
| 9. | Comments | | |
| 10. | Adjournment | | |

ZAPATA COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
17th & Carla - P.O. Box 158
Zapata, Texas 78076-0158

3 **Action:**

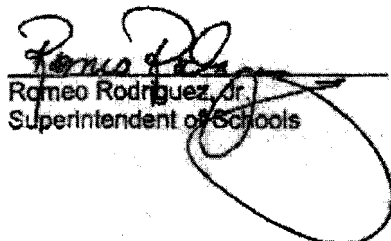
TO: Board of Trustees


DATE: February 18, 2005

SUBJECT: Approval of E-Rate Proposal for Year 8

Zapata County Independent School District is proposing to request technology funds to enhance the technology in the district. The request for supplemental funds will be done through an E-Rate Proposal for Year 8.

Administration is recommending that the E-Rate Proposal for Year 8 be approved by the Members of the School Board.


Romeo Rodriguez, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools


Lourdes G. Martinez, Administrative
Assistant for Business Services

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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ZAPATA

ZAPATA COUNTY INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT

On this 18th day of February 2005, the Board of Trustees of Zapata County Independent School District convened in a special board meeting of said Board in Professional Development Center located on 17th & Carla Street.

Board President Veronica P. Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. He stated that a quorum of board members was present.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Superintendent Romeo Rodriguez, Jr. delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Texas Pledge.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Veronica P. Gonzalez	(arrived at 12:03 p.m.)
Mr. Armando Paredes	(arrived at 12:03 p.m.)
Mrs. Dora Martinez	(arrived at 12:10 p.m.)
Mr. Zachary Garza	
Mr. Jose M. Ramirez, III	
Mr. Anselmo Treviño, Jr.	
Mr. Ricardo X. Ramirez	

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

none

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Staff members present included: Mr. Jorge Montes
Mrs. Nelda Guevara
Mr. Roman Echazarreta
Mrs. Lourdes Martinez
Mr. Jorge Salazar

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

none

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

1. SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS

Superintendent Rodriguez reported that all of North Early Childhood students visiting the Jorge Uribe Ranch.

2. Technology Report for E Rate Year 8 (2005-2006)

Mr. Jorge Montes III reported to the Board of Trustees on E-Rate Year 8. Mr. Montes stated that in order to meet requirements set in the District's long range technology plan, which went hand in hand with the State's plan, District needed to upgrade and improve technology by year 2010.

Mr. Montes stated that he was present to ask for commitment for funds towards improving technology. He stated that on July 2005, the Technology Department would begin rewiring all campuses. He stated funding would come from E-Rate Year 8. Mr. Montes also discussed the areas that E-Rate Year 8 funded, which were:

- Telecommunications
- Internet Access
- Internal Connections

3. Approval of E-Rate Proposal for Year 8
This item was discussed after executive session.

Mr. Jorge Montes III informed the Board of Trustees that Zapata County Independent School District was proposing to request technology funds to enhance the technology in the district. He stated that request for supplemental funds would be done through an E-Rate Proposal for Year 8 Grant. Mr. Montes expressed that a committee composed of Superintendent Rodriguez, Mrs. Norma Garcia, Mrs. Becky Salinas, Mrs. Nelda Guevara, Mrs. Lourdes Martinez and he had met to discuss the proposals. Mr. Montes shared a list of proposals with the Board. He stated that the district would be responsible for 14% of total expenses which would be \$306,144.00. Superintendent Rodriguez stated that the deadline to submit the proposal was February 18, 2005 midnight.

Board President Veronica Gonzalez called for a motion on approval of E-Rate Proposal for Year 8 as presented.

Mr. Jose M. Ramirez III made a motion to approval of E-Rate Proposal for Year 8 as presented. Mr. Zachary Garza seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Lease Purchase of School Buses

Mrs. Lourdes Martinez informed the Board of Trustees that four school buses had been ordered and received in August 2004 (Exhibit A), and that financing of these buses was still pending. She shared a proposal from Tobyne & Co., Inc. (Exhibit B). Mrs. Martinez stated that the interest rate for the lease purchase agreement would be \$.22% for three years with annual payment of \$89,301.81. She stated that the total cost of \$257,204.00 would include \$1,774.00 of accrued interest being charged by the bus company from the time the buses were delivered to the present. She informed the Board that interest rate quotations had been obtained from two other finance companies and that Tobyne & Co. had been in line with other quotes. She stated that therefore, the recommendation was Board approval for lease purchase agreement with Tobyne & Co. at the terms and conditions presented.

Mr. Armando Paredes made a motion to approve the lease purchase of school buses, subject to review by counsel as presented by Mrs. Lourdes Martinez. Mrs. Dora Martinez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into executive session at 12:30 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 1:15 p.m.

Board President Veronica Gonzalez announced that no action had been taken in executive session.

In open session

5. Possible Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 551.074 Of the Texas Govt. Code, the Board will discuss Resignations, Retirements, and Leaves of Absence, New Employment, New Personnel Positions, Return from Leave of Absence, and Contract Renewal for Teachers.
No action was taken.
6. Action, if any, on items discussed in closed session.
No action was taken.
7. Board Information Items:
8. Calendar: This item has been added to the agenda to provide an opportunity to set dates for student and/or teacher hearings or to bring to the Board's attention other dates.
9. Comments:
none
10. Adjournment
There being no further business, Mr. Ricardo Ramirez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Zachary Garza seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Veronica P. Gonzalez
Board President

Dora O.S. Martinez
Board Secretary

**Zapata County I.S.D.
P.O. Box 158 - 17th & Carla St.
Zapata, Texas 78076**

TO: Board of Trustees

DATE: February 18, 2005

SUBJECT: E-rate Year 8 projects bids

Administration requested bids for E-rate Year 8 projects. Based on all bids submitted, the Technology E-Rate Committee has made the following recommendation:

Company

Internal Connections

Integrity Communications Ltd.

Amount

\$ 1,997,195.72

Internet Access

Trillion (Wireless Internet Access)

\$ 82,320.00

E-Chalk (Website Hosting)

\$ 5,500.00

Telecommunications

SBC Approximate yearly

\$ 67,727.42

Singular Approximate yearly

\$ 34,000.00

Total \$ 2,185,743.14

14% 306,144.04

86% 1,880,599.10
